**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1.      (Currently Amended)  A method of delivering ~~Web content~~ a webpage comprising:

receiving a hierarchical data set of ~~user-identified~~ interests identified by a user;

storing the hierarchical data set of interests in a database entry associated with the user; and

parsing the hierarchical data set;

extracting one or more keyword attribute values from the hierarchical data set in response to the parsing of the data set and a pre-selected granularity value;

applying extracted keyword values to filter content for delivery to ~~a requesting Web client~~ the user; and

delivering a webpage that is personalized for the user according to the identified interests.

2.      (Original)  The method of claim 1 wherein the hierarchical data set comprises an XML document.

3.      (Currently Amended)  The method of claim 1 further comprising:

pre-populating a Web content search form page using extracted keyword values; and

returning the Web content search form page to the user. ~~requesting Web client.~~

4.      (Currently Amended)  The method of claim 3 further comprising receiving the Web content search form from the ~~Web client~~ user, wherein the received search form includes one or more pre-populated data, zero or more additional user-supplied search terms and at lease one Boolean search indicator for determining the combination of search terms for performing a search.

5.      (Cancelled)

6.      (Original)  The method of claim 1 wherein, if no keyword attribute is associated with an interest, using a value attribute of the interest as a default keyword.

7.      (Currently Amended)  The method of claim 1 wherein the pre-selected granularity value corresponds to a root-to-leaf level in the hierarchical data set of [[user-]] identified interests.

8.    (Currently Amended)  A computer program product embodied in a machine-readable medium for delivering ~~Web content~~ a webpage, the computer program produce comprising programming instructions for:

  receiving a hierarchical data set of ~~user-identified~~ interests identified by a user;

  storing the hierarchical data set of interests in a database entry associated with the user;

  parsing the hierarchical data set;

  extracting one or more keyword attribute values from the hierarchical data set in response to the parsing of the data set and a pre-selected granularity value;

  applying extracted keyword values to filter content for delivery to a ~~requesting Web client.~~ the user; and

  delivering a webpage that is personalized for the user according to the identified interests.

9.    (Original)  The computer program product of claim 8 wherein the hierarchical data set comprises an XML document.

10.    (Currently Amended)  The computer program product of claim 8 further comprising programming instructions for:

  pre-populating a Web content search form page using extracted keyword values; and

  returning the Web content search form page to the user. ~~requesting Web client~~.

11.    (Currently Amended)  The computer program product of claim 10 further comprising programming instructions for receiving the Web content search form from the user, ~~Web client,~~ wherein the received search form includes one or more pre-populated data, zero or more additional user-supplied search terms and at least one Boolean search indicator for determining the combination of search terms for performing a search.

12.    (Cancelled)

13.    (Original)  The computer program product of claim 8 wherein, if no keyword attribute is associated with an interest, using a value attribute of the interest as a default keyword.

14.    (Currently Amended)  The computer program product of claim 8 wherein the granularity value corresponds to a root-to-leaf level in the hierarchical data set of [[user-]] identified interests.

15.    (Currently Amended)  A data processing system for delivering ~~Web content~~ a webpage comprising:

circuitry operable for receiving a hierarchical data set of ~~user-identified~~ interests <u>identified by a user;</u>

circuitry operable for storing the hierarchical data set of interests in a database entry associated with the user;

circuitry operable for parsing the hierarchical data set;

circuitry operable for extracting one or more keyword attribute values from the hierarchical data set in response to the parsing of the data set and a pre-s elected granularity value;

circuitry operable for applying extracted keyword values to filter content for delivery to <u>the user; and</u> ~~a requesting Web client.~~

<u>circuitry operable for delivering a webpage that is personalized for the user according to the identified interests.</u>

16. (Original) The data processing system of claim 15 wherein the hierarchical data set comprises an XML document.

17. (Currently Amended) The data processing system of claim 15 further comprising:

circuitry operable for pre-populating a Web content search form page using extracted keyword values; and

circuitry operable for returning the Web content search form page to the <u>user.</u> ~~requesting Web client.~~

18. (Currently Amended) The data processing system of claim 18 further comprising circuitry operable for receiving the Web content search form from the ~~Web client~~ <u>user</u>, wherein the received search form includes one or more pre-populated data, zero or more additional user-supplied search terms and at least one Boolean search indicator for determining the combination of search terms for performing a search.

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Original) The data processing system of claim 15 wherein, if no keyword attribute is associated with an interest, using a value attribute of the interest as a default keyword.

21. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the webpage is a portal page associated with the user and provided by a portal.

22.    (New)  The computer program product of claim 8 wherein the webpage is a portal page associated with the user and provided by a portal.

23.    (New)  The data processing system of claim 15, wherein the webpage is a portal page associated with the user and provided by a portal.